

Circulation Properties in WorkFlows

Property Basics:

- This is all computer specific.
- Make sure the wizard you are working in is closed or the changes will not be reflected properly.
- Right click on the wizard name to pull up the properties.
- Change from wizard startup to never.
- Be aware of the tabs and button within the properties boxes.

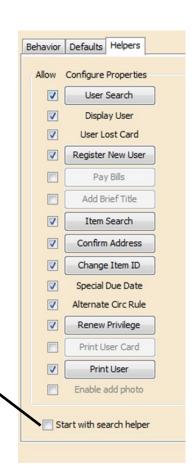


•If you change it on startup, it only applies for that session and the session settings reset each time.

Checkout Properties - Helpers Tab

- The check boxes make a helper appear on the top of the wizard. Turn on the helpers that you use and turn off the ones you do not use to reduce clutter and/ or confusion.
- Clicking on the helper names that look like buttons will bring up even more options to configure these so they work best for you and your library.
- Pressing F1 with the Helpers properties selection box open will give you in depth helper descriptions from SirsiDynix.

Checking this box will open the User Search helper every time you check out to a new patron. This allows libraries who always search by user name to avoid that extra click each time they start a new check out.

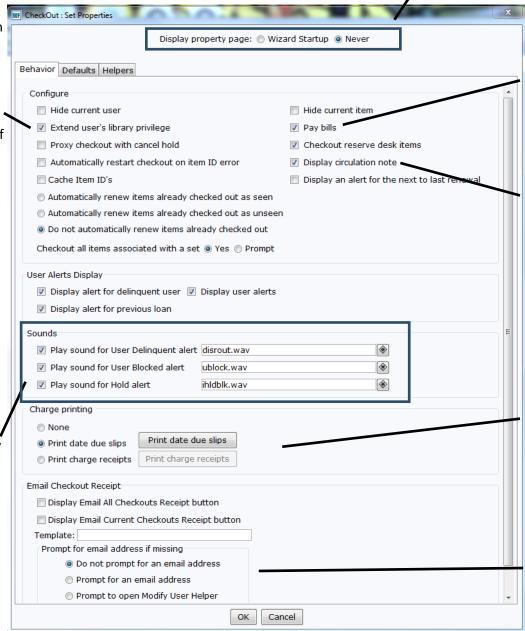


Checkout Properties - Behavior Tab

Change this to Never if you do not want to set different properties for each session.

Allows circulation staff to renew a patron's expired privileges during check out. If the check box is not selected, the staff cannot extend the patron's expired privileges, and the patron will be unable to check out.

Turn sounds on or off based on your preference. Keep in mind that a sound may create a delay if sounds are on but you have muted your speakers.



Allows a patron to pay bills when checking out items from the user alerts window.

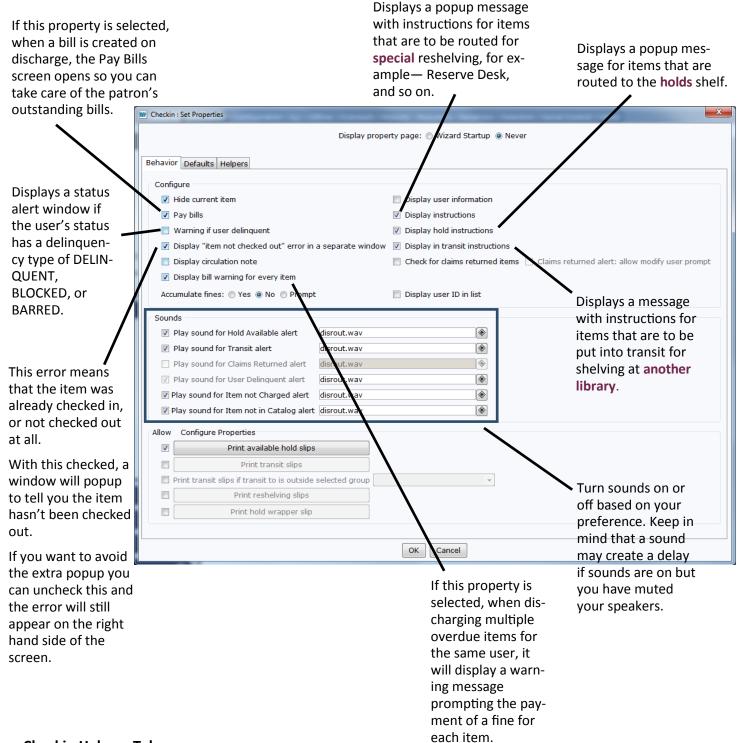
If this property is selected, the **item** circulation note (if it exists) will display when item is used in a transaction in the wizard.

Change your printing options based on what works for you library and your equipment.

If you would like to give patrons the option of email receipts, you can try these options. However, at this time, it may still print a paper receipt even if you choose email. Great if you are ok with tossing the paper receipt or don't print receipts at all.

Checkin Properties - Behavior Tab

NOTE - In the F1 Help, SirsiDynix calls this wizard "Discharge/Checkin". The MSC has chosen to use Checkin as the default name for this wizard.

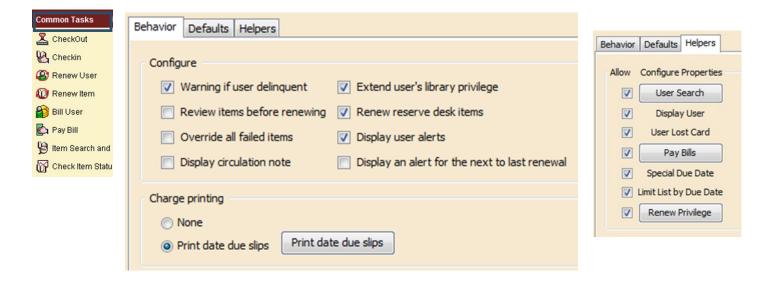


Checkin Helpers Tab:

 Similar to the CheckOut, these helpers can be turned on or off depending on your preferences.

Renew User Properties

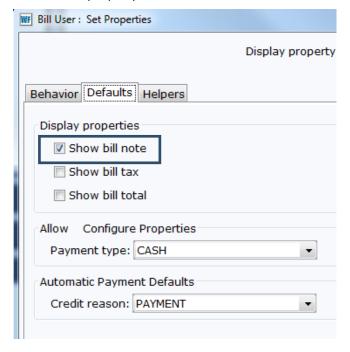
- This wizard can be thought of as the "Renew by User" wizard because it allows you to renew items by looking up the patron. This is not where you renew the patron's expired library card.
- Right click on Renew User to set the properties for all future sessions. Remember, properties set to the work-station, so anything you change will be changed on that computer only.



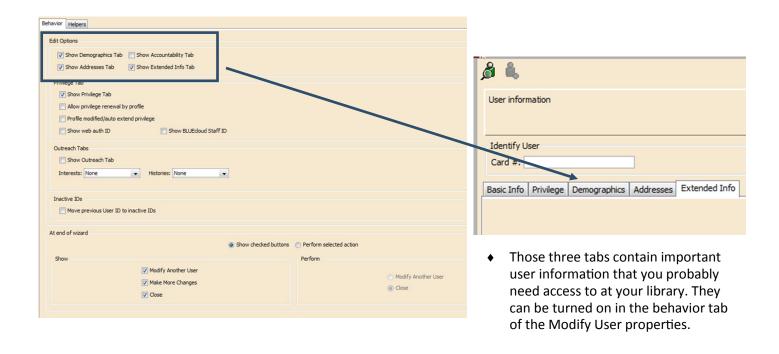
Bill Notes

- A bill note is tied to a bill. For example, if a book was returned damaged, you could use this note to explain the damage so all staff that come in contact with this issue can see the note. When the bill is resolved (paid or waived), the note goes away.
- Bill notes have to be turned on in properties in three places to function properly:
 - 1. Bill User properties
 - 2. Pay Bill properties
 - 3. Display User properties

Right click on each of these wizards to turn on the bill note function. They are all in the Defaults tab.



Modify User Properties

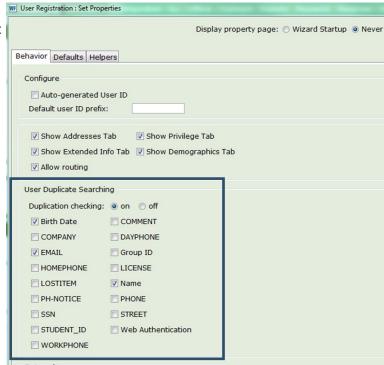


New User Properties

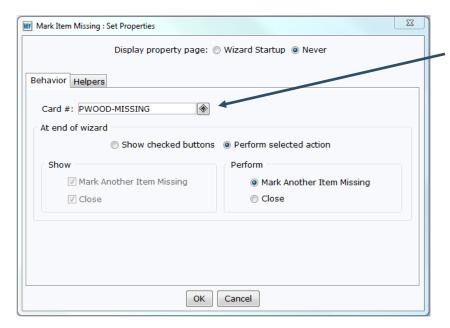
- User Duplicate Searching will check the system to make sure you are not creating a second card for one user.
- In the New User properties under the Behavior tab, choose what parameters to check against, like birth date, name, or whatever makes sense for your library.

This will either return results for all MSC libraries, for your Sharing Group, or for your own library only depending on how your library is set up.

 You can also turn off this feature if you are not using it.



Mark Item Missing Properties



The naming convention is your library policy name-MISSING

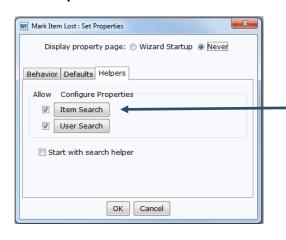
PWOOD-MISSING for example.

If this is not in here, tell us so we can set it up!

Use this when something is supposed to be on the shelf but isn't. Do not use it when someone has it checked out.

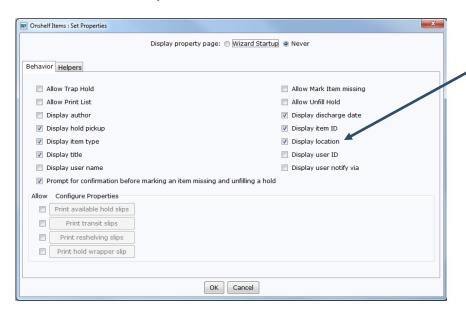
To use it, search for the item, and click Mark Item Missing on the bottom of the screen. If it turns up, just check it in to restore its former status. It is a good idea to send someone out to look for these items from time to time. If they do not turn up you can ask us to run a report to remove them from your catalog.

Mark Item Lost Properties



- If a patron loses a book this is how you clear it from their card and charge them for it.
- You might want to turn on the search helper in the properties because this wizard only has Item Id Scan and when an item is lost you don't usually have the barcode.

OnShelf Items Properties



Notice the pick-up library. If you are in a partner Sharing group, or if there are multiple locations for patrons to pick up materials this will be important to you. Otherwise you might turn it off in properties.